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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 23rd January, until SATURDAY, the 26th January, 1907, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 8, 1907. 62

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 19th January, to MONDAY, the 28th January (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LD.
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Hongkong, January 14, 1907. 95

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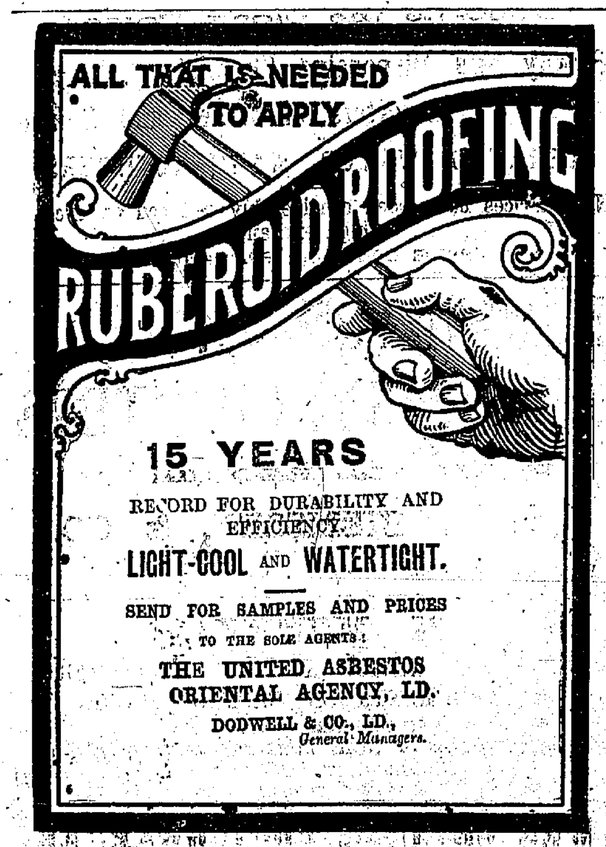
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LONDON, Dec. 31.

General Kuropatkin has returned to St. Petersburg where he was welcomed by his friends in military circles.

JAPAN AND THE GULF OF FINLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The *Nichi Nichi* gives a curious Russian report to the effect that some Japanese have surveyed and charted the Gulf of Finland.

THE JAPANESE IN HAWAII.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4

Mr Sergeant, Director of the Colonial Bureau, who lately returned from his investigations in Hawaii, has given a private report to President Roosevelt, in which he states that Japan is encouraging immigrations to Hawaii, and is thus weakening the position of the Americans there. He adds, however, that the proceedings of the Japanese authorities are entirely correct. Steps are being taken at Hawaii to suppress the agitation against foreign labour. The message goes on to say that in his private capacity, Mr Sergeant states that Japanese immigration to Hawaii on a great scale is a matter of the distant future. In the meantime, efforts are being made in the islands to build up a strong population of European and American descent. As a commencement, the authorities are encouraging immigration from Portugal, as there is no fear from any attempt by Portuguese to dominate the islands. Mr Sergeant added that immigrants who will make good Americans are those who are most to be desired.

(From the JAPAN ADVERTISER.)

CUBANS WANT LOAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 4.

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The bankers in their petition ask the detention of American troops, the loan to be made conditional on such detention.

The petition of the Cuban bankers meets with the support of Governor Magoon, who has forwarded it to Washington.

PREFECT OF ST. PETERSBURG ASSASSINATED.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 4.

The bloody work of the assassin still continues in Russia. Yesterday the old Prefect of St. Petersburg was killed by a bomb thrown by a Socialist, who was captured by the police before he could make his escape.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

Commenting on the Education Bill, a writer remarks, after the amendments made by the House of Lords:—

The question then is, Is the Bill worth saving under those conditions? Two classes of people will be indignant: the extreme Nonconformists and the extreme High Anglicans, and the Archbishop of Canterbury will be in even much greater peril from Lord Hugh Cecil than Mr Birrell will be from Dr. Clifford. A cynic—or possibly a philosopher—might say that when only extremists on both sides are dissatisfied, a happy middle course has been safely and wisely steered. Moreover, though there would doubtless be a Liberal defection in the House of Commons, it is certain that a solid body of Liberals will be content to leave the final decision in this momentous matter in the hands of the Prime Minister.

The alternative? To drop the Bill, administer the Act of 1902 drastically as regards the buildings, and as soon as possible pass a money Bill (untouchable by the Lords) helping the local authorities to build. A million a year, such as is proposed by this Bill to give to the Church, is interest and sinking fund of a very large sum of money. Many experienced educationists, engaged in the practical administration of the present Act, and alarmed at the undoubted complication and difficulty of the bill, are in favour of this course, and there is much to be said for it. It may be safely taken, however, that the situation is as here set forth, and compromise is no more "one" than it has been for a long time. Not for a number of days yet is any final decision by the Government likely to be taken.

The Archbishop of York, who throughout the consideration of the Bill, has shown a spirit of "sweet reasonableness," which has hardly been a characteristic of the episcopal bench as a whole, abstained from voting on Lord Lansdowne's amendment, as also did the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, and Lord Belper. The Bishop of Hereford spoke and voted against the amendment. Dr. Perceval said Lord Lansdowne's proposal would work oppressively in practice, and he declared his conviction that the great mass of moderate Churchmen would have nothing to do with it.

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Hongkong, January 15, 1907. 93

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on

SATURDAY,

the 19th January, 1907, respectively, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at No. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,—

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF SILVER AND IVORY WARE.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, *Auctioneers.*

Hongkong, January 9, 1907. 68

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on

SATURDAY,

the 19th January, 1907, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, DES VOEUX ROAD, Corner of Ice House Street,—

The Revenue Schooner

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as she now lies at SAIKOK, North of SAMSHUIPO.

Her dimensions are:—
Length over all... ... ...78 feet.
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Hongkong, January 11, 1907. 77

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 19th January, 1907, commencing at 2 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET,—

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Now on View.

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TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, *Auctioneer.*

Hongkong, January 14, 1907. 93

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 23rd January, 1907, commencing at 3 P.M., on BOARD the *Rambler*, the following:—

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The vessels will be open to inspection for seven days before date of sale, between 10 A.M. and NOON and 2 and 4 P.M. (Saturday and Sunday excepted).

Inspection Orders can be obtained from the Auctioneers.

TERMS:—Cash before delivery. 25 per cent of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer; balance and the clearance to be effected within seven days after date of sale.

HUGHES & HOUGH, *Auctioneers to the Government.*

Hongkong, December 29, 1906. 2475

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from M. GASTON LIEBERT, Esq., CONSUL GENERAL for France, to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 29th January, 1907, at 2.30 P.M., within his Residence No. 10, MACDONNELL ROAD,—

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

THEREIN CONTAINED,—

Comprising:—

TEAKWOOD HATSTAND with GLASS, WALNUT-COVERED BRASS-HANDLES HALL TABLE, COCOA NUT TABLES, MARBLE-TOP BLACKWOOD FLOWER STANDS, TABLE LAMPS, (OIL and ELECTRIC COMBINED), ELECTRIC CEILING FAN, OVERMANTELS with GLASS, TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, DINNER SERVICE (130 pieces), GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, ICE CHEST, ONE FILTER by BUSH & Co., MARBLE-TOP MOTHER-OF-PEARL INLAID BLACK WOOD SIDE TABLE, MOROCCO-COVERED CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD BOOKCASES, ELECTRIC LAMPS and FANS, BED ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD DRESSING TABLE and CHEST-OF-DRAWERS with BEVELLED GLASS, DOUBLE BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEAD with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND, SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.

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Hongkong, January 16, 1907. 109

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Hongkong, January 2, 1907. 1716

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Hongkong, October 24, 1906. 27

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Hongkong, January 4, 1907. 39

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Hongkong, December 11, 1906. 24

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Hongkong, January 4, 1907. 38

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Hongkong, November 3, 1906. 22

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Hongkong, December 22, 1906. 22

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Hongkong, January 3, 1906. 18

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Hongkong January 12, 1907. 85

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Hongkong, January 12, 1907. 66

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Hongkong, January 12, 1907. 1517

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Hongkong, May 17, 1906. 46

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TAKEO TAKAMIOHI,
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Hongkong, September 22, 1906 5

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D. TOHDOW,
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Hongkong, October 3, 1906. 218

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THE P. AND O. COMPANY.

The annual meeting of shareholders in the P. and O. Company was held on December 11 at the Company's head offices, Leadenhall Street E. C., Sir Thomas Sutherland presiding. In his speech the Chairman said that the dividend and bonus was the same as paid the previous year after putting aside for the purpose of a sinking fund the considerable sum of £461,097. He reminded shareholders that the company's prosperity was largely due to the safe navigation of the fleet, a fleet of which they were the sole underwriters, and which cost originally upwards of eight and a quarter millions sterling, and which would hardly be replaced for that amount at the present day. The value of the fleet in the accounts has been handsomely written down, and now stood at the by no means great figure of £3,612,231. The Company's freight revenue last year amounted to £1,508,784, which showed a deficiency of something like £67,000 on the revenue of the previous year. But if, on the other hand, they allowed for a difference in the nature and extent of their business with the Government in regard to their transport service and other transactions of a similar kind, they would find that the net deficiency as compared with last year amounted only to £37,000. Earnings would, have been much greater, and should have been much greater but for certain adverse circumstances which had affected their business and affected the business of other Companies engaged in the Eastern trade. Prominent among these adverse circumstances was the war in the rates to India which had prevailed during no less than the last eighteen months and continued up to the present time. This unfortunate dispute arose entirely because their German opponents resisted their right to load at Antwerp, which was in no sense a German port, for Calcutta and Bombay, which were in every sense British ports. They hope, he presumed, by rushing into a desperate conflict to assure to themselves a permanent monopoly of that trade. There was now a possibility of the question being settled on fair lines for all concerned.

Turning to the China trade the Chairman was glad to say that trade between London and China had been, upon the whole, satisfactory, but not by any means so brilliant as it was in the previous year. The Company had had to do more work, and to run more voyages, in order to earn the same amount of money, but upon the whole trade had been satisfactory. The freights from Australia on refrigerated cargo had been reduced 50 per cent by the action of what was known as the American combine, by which the two British mail company's had lost £90,000 to £100,000 in actual freight on butter alone. The P. and O. Company had now decided to inaugurate a service of cargo vessels to Australia by which it was hoped to supplement the earnings of the mail steamers. Generally as regards the Australian trade a better state of things existed than had done for several years. On this subject the President continued:—"The present certainly seems an inopportune moment to inaugurate a new mail service of a novel and important character, such as has been advertised in the press now for some months past. The scheme appears to be of a highly ambitious character. It is promoted, apparently, by a syndicate of eminent shipbuilders, who are doubtless ready and willing to build a fleet at a cost of something like £4,000,000 sterling, and, I presume, ready to carry out that operation not altogether and exclusively from philanthropic motives. It would not be the first time in the history of the Australian colonies that an outsider has rushed into a mail contract which an experienced Company like the P. and O. Company declined to entertain, and history tells us that the result was followed by serious disaster. The project to which I am now referring will require a revenue, including what will be necessary for the purpose of depreciation and insurance, of, I should think, a million sterling, and, speaking as a practical man who is engaged in connection with affairs of this kind, I say it is absolutely impossible to surmise where a revenue of this kind is to be obtained in the conditions specified in the Australian trade, unless the existing Mail Companies are to dissolve, like the baseless fabric of a vision, or tumble like the walls of Jericho. But we do not live in the age of miracles, and threatened enterprises have the knack of living for a long time. It might, perhaps, be supposed, in reference to this scheme, that there is great and unexplored wealth in the passenger trade with the Australian colonies. I will tell you how that stands so far as this Company is concerned. I believe it will not be denied that during the last twelve months the P. and O. Company owned the finest ships running in the Australian trade. These vessels had some 13,000 passenger berths available for first and second-class passengers during the year. Not more than one-third of the accommodation was filled by Australian passengers during the whole year, and we should indeed be in a very bad way if we had not had some aid from our India and China connection. It is perfectly true that we do not carry emigrants, but everybody knows that emigration to Australia is of a most restricted character at present, and so long as those great lone lands of Canada and America are waiting for increased population, and so long, moreover, as the political condition of the Australian colonies remains what it is, I believe that the emigration to Australia will not be of a great character. I suppose I am justified in making these observations in reference to an enterprise which it is understood is to compete with the P. and O. Company, but it may be said that I am prejudiced. I am certainly prejudiced against a speculation which will only bring confusion and loss to all concerned."

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alacrity*	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. E. La T. Leatham	Singapore
Astræa	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Captain S. L. Vaughan Lee	Singapore
Bramble	river-gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtsze
Britomart	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. Bamber	Yangtsze
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Luard	Hankow
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	370		Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.O.	Singapore
Diadem	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,500	Capt. Umpeville	Singapore
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut.-Comdr. Hughes	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	7000	Capt. Grant Dalton	Weihaiwei
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Comdr. Cox	Weihaiwei
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. Henniker Heaton	Weihaiwei
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Weihaiwei
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. De Horsey	Hongkong
King Alfred	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	14	30,000	Capt. Cecil F. Thursby, R.N.	Singapore
Kinsha	river gunboat	616	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. R. Dugmore	Yangtsze
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	—	Capt. A. J. Tuke	Singapore
Moorhen	river-gunboat	180	2	300	Lt.-Com. R. E. Vaughan	West River
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. J. Kiddle	Weihaiwei
Prometheus	cruiser	2400	—	—	Capt. Woolcombe	Weihaiwei
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	325	6	650	Comdr. C. E. Mouro	Hongkong
Robin	river-gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. C. C. Walcott	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. H. T. Attay	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Lyne	Yangtsze
Tamar	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Reserve	Hongkong
Teal	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore Williams	Hongkong
Thistle	river gunboat	180	2	300	Lt.-Comdr. E. Secretan	Yangtsze
Virago	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. West	Shanghai
Waterwitch	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. Stevenson	Weihaiwei
Whiting	surviving ship	620	—	450	Comdr. R. W. Glennie	Hongkong
Widgeon	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Lieut.-Com. C. E. L. Thomas	Weihaiwei
Woodcock	river gunboat	195	2	300	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Spicer-Simson	Upper Yangtze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. C. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtsze
	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. Jno. F. Knox	Upper Yangtze

* Flag of Vice-Admiral Sir W. Arthur Moore, Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Kaiser Franz Josef	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4309	19	9000	Capt. Ferdenand Bublay	Hongkong
Panther	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	1350	12	6000	Captain E. Koerber	Singapore
Achéron	French armoured cruiser	1736	10	1700	Lieut. Ferret	Haiphong
Adour	French receiving-ship	—	—	—	Lieut. Merle	Haiphong
Alouette	torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Commander Kerihuel	Cape St. James
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Jeannel	Canton
Caronade	French gunboat	—	—	150	Lieut. Hue	Saigon
Decidée	French gunboat	645	10	1000	Lieut. L'Eost	Chefoo
D'Entrecasteaux	French cruiser	11,242	—	—	Capt. Tracon	Saigon
Descartes	French cruiser	3985	14	5500	Comdr. Amet	Kiukiang
Dupetit-Thouars	French armoured cruiser	10,014	38	20,000		Saigon
Esturgeon	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Coquelin	Saigon
Francisque	French destroyer	303	7	6300	Lieut. Garreau	Hongkong
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Saint-Saine	Hongkong
Gneydon	French cruiser	9378	36	20,200	Captain Ridoux	Saigon
Guichen	French cruiser	9700	—	—		Yokohama
Henri Rivière	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Porter	Saigon
Jacquin	French gunboat	200	6	303	Lieut. Corlouer	Haiphong
Javeline	French destroyer	307	7	300	Comdr. Sagot-Duvauroux	Saigon
Kersaint	French cruiser	1250	6	2200	Commander Simon	Saigon
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Armbruster	Saigon
*Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Martel	Saigon
Mousquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	Lieut. du Chemin	Saigon
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Grellier	Chungking
Pelho	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Lavisslere	Tongku
Pistolet	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Reinach-Werth	Hongay
Porteo	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Saigon
Rapier	French torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Vincent de Brichignac	Saigon
Redoutable	French battleship	9437	8	6071	Reserve	Saigon
Sabre	French destroyer	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Lebail	Hongkong
Styx	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Dupries	Saigon
Takiang	French gunboat	—	—	—		Yangtsze
Takou	French destroyer	250	6	—	Capt. Torquom	Saigon
Vauban	French battleship (reserve)	6150	23	4560		Hongay
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Brugnon	Hongkong
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Wilkens	Bangkok
Iltis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hülsen	Tsingtau
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Kloebe	Hongkong
Leipzig	German cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Wilhlemshaven	Hongkong
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Bolken	Bangkok
Möwe	German gunboat	1000	8	875	Comdr. Lubbert	Tsingtau
Nioble	German cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Witschel	Tsingtau
S.	German torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Wing-Muller	Tsingtau
Taku	German torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Capt.-Lieut. Walter	Tsingtau
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Abeken	Japan
Tsingtau	German gunboat	170	6	1300	Capt. Lieut. Giebler	Canton
Vaterland	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. von Bülow	Yangtsze River
Vorwarts	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. Ferboni	Yangtsze River
Calabria	Italian cruiser	3000	—	—	Capt. Maronce	Saigon
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borea Ricci	
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Captain Presbitero	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2488	29	7000	Capt. Pescetto	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Baron de Saint Pierre	Hongkong
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1900	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	
Rio Lima	Portuguese gunboat	750	—	—	Captain Carvalho	Macao
Arayat	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Ensign A. K. Shoup	Philippines
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Woodward	Japan
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Capt. Sargeant	Manila
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Hongkong
Callao	U. S. gunboat	600	10	208	Ensign Guy Witlock	Canton
Chattanooga	U. S. cruiser	3100	15	4500	Commander Alex. Sharp	Manila
Chauncey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	6000	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Manila
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	8213	19	7500	Comdr. J. M. Robinson	
Colorado	U. S. battleship	13,500	—	—	Capt. S. Staunton	Manila
Concord	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. C. J. Bousb	Philippines
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Reserve	Manila
Decanter	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Reserve	Manila
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	560	10	6000	Lt.-Comdr. H. Rodman	Philippines
Pennsylvania	U. S. battleship	13,500	—	—	Capt. T. C. McClean	Manila
Maryland	U. S. battleship	13,500	—	—	Capt. R. R. Ingersoll	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Comdr. W. F. Coffin	Manila
*Ohio	U. S. battleship	12,000	—	—	Captain Logan	Yokohama
Pampangs	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign J. W. Hayward	Cavite
Paragua	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign A. B. Reed	Cavite
Pathfinder	U. S. gunboat	690	—	—	Comdr. Steerdahl	Hongkong
Quiros	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. C. R. Train	
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Comdr. J. C. Gilmore	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	8313	18	7500	Capt. F. F. Fletcher	Manila
West Virginia	U. S. flagship	13,500	—	—	Capt. Arnold	Manila
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	Lieut. F. L. Pinney	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1894	Commander W. L. Rodgers	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. battleship	12,000	50	12,609	Captain Franklin J. Drake	Manila

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Singapore, 7th January.—Mr CHOA KIM KEAT, died here on Saturday after a short illness.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.

9.15 p.m.—Hongkong Philharmonic Society's Concert at City Hall.

Register of Shares of Hongkong Reclamation Co., Ld., Close from this date to 28th Jan., inclusive.

Central Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 19:—
11 a.m.—Auction of Revenue Schooner *Peng Fei* at Messrs Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.
2 p.m.—Auction of Postage Stamps, at Mr Geo. P. Lammert's Sales Room.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Silver & Ivory Ware, at No. 4, Queen's Road Central.
Register of Shares of The West Point Building Co., Ld., close from this date to 28th Jan. inclusive.
Register of Shares of Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld., close from this date to January 28 inclusive.
Goods per *Loyang*, undelivered after 4 p.m. of this date will be landed.

SUNDAY, January 20:—
Goods per *Empire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, January 21:—
Goods per *Macduff* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, January 22:—
2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's Justices of Peace at Magistracy.
Goods per *Glamorganshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 23:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Surveying Vessel *Rambler*, on Board.
Transfer Books of China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ld., close from this date to 28th January inclusive.

THURSDAY, January 24:—
Goods per *Gaisachau* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 25:—
9.15 p.m.—Concert at City Hall.

SATURDAY, January 26:—
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld., at Co.'s Office.
Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ld., at Co.'s Office.

SUNDAY, January 27:—
10 a.m.—A Race for Cruisers held by Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

MONDAY, January 28:—
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The West Point Building Co., Ld., at Co.'s Offices.
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1907.

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

THE cablegram we published yesterday, in reference to the formation of a National Defence Association is of supreme importance. Incidentally it is an added triumph for Field Marshal Earl Roberts, who, with a vigour which would be remarkable in a much younger man, has been working towards this end for the last two years. We are told that many prominent Liberals have joined the association and that it is strictly nonpartisan in character. A matter such as national defence is clearly one that should be considered apart from the broils of party. To Liberal and Conservative alike the safety of Great Britain is of paramount importance. Domestic questions fade into insignificance before it as it is obvious that if we could not repel an invader all domestic questions would be settled by our conqueror. Everyone cherishes the ideal that the time will come when the nations will realise the folly and wickedness of resorting to arms to settle differences in the same way that duelling has, in most countries, been discountenanced as a means of settling private disputes. But until the burglar becomes as scarce as the duellist it will never do for the Empire to cease being prepared for any eventuality. The predatory instinct which animates the burglar is as strong in the nation as in the individual. After all nations are entities and the sentiments which influence the individual exercise a precisely imilar sway over nations. The time may arrive when no man will covet anything that is his neighbours and when that day comes the nations will doubtless lay down their arms and dwell in amity. Anyone, who is not a dreamer of vain things, admits that that time is too far distant to be of interest to us. We have to face things as they are. Europe has been described as an armed camp. Those who dwell in an armed camp must be prepared for emergencies. Were Great Britain to follow the advice of those who contend that the money spent in the maintenance of the army and navy could be better employed otherwise, can anyone doubt that the result would be disastrous? That it is realised by Liberals as well as Conservatives that the defence of Great Britain cannot be assured by waving the olive branch and letting the army and navy drop to decay is shown by our cablegram. The beautiful dream of what might be, of what should be in fact, may well be cherished privately, but the time has come when every patriotic citizen of the Empire feels that the nation must rouse itself from its apathy and show that it has not lost the qualities which won for it its greatness. It is our existence as an Empire which is at stake.

CRAZE FOR MUNICIPALIZATION.

In many parts of the world during the past few years there has been manifested a strong tendency to municipalise most of the domestic services which had hitherto been left to private enterprise. Gas and water works, tramways and services of a similar nature have, in many places in Great Britain, been taken over by municipalities and the revenue derived therefrom devoted to a reduction of the rates. This has only been accomplished in the teeth of fierce opposition, and it cannot be said that the experiment has been entirely successful. London has made a number of essays to abolish private ownership in services which are necessary to modern life. One of these was the maintenance of a fleet of ferry steamers on the Thames. An enormous amount of money was lost, the steamers being most unprofitable, but the London County Council rather than lose "face" persisted in running them long after it was evident that they were only serving to keep a few men in unremunerative employment. The danger of municipalization consists in the unstable character of the municipal councils. If a council be captured by the Socialists it may be assumed that any undertaking will be run more in the interest of municipal employees than of the ratepayers in general. The municipality may be plunged into debt merely because the majority of the councillors are prepared to adopt any reckless plan which will ingratiate them with the poorer, and consequently more numerous ratepayers. "Practically the whole of London is in pawn." That striking statement was made at a recent meeting of the London County Council and its accuracy could not be refuted. This is the result of the long lease of power enjoyed by the Progressive-Socialist regime which it is hoped will come to an end in March. The opponents of municipalization have been encouraged by the results of the adoption of the system and they feel confident that practical experience has taught the people that municipal control has disadvantages which far out-weigh the advantages. The Japanese, who are notoriously quick to adopt Western or American systems have been bitten by the craze for municipalization. We referred recently to the proposal that the Tokyo Municipality should take over the street tramways. It looked for awhile as if the proposition would be carried in terms which meant the spoilation of the private companies, in many of which British capital is invested. Fortunately for the honour and good name of Japan, the proposal has now been definitely defeated. It was recognised by the more conservative and cautious members of the Council that the scheme meant the insertion of the thin end of the socialistic wedge. That is really what municipalization means and that this is gradually being realised by those who have anything to lose is apparent in many different parts of the world.

A Japanese investigator who recently proceeded to San Francisco to study the effect of the earthquake declared that the city would be free from visitation for half a century. That internal disturbances within the earth-quake belt are still proceeding is shown by the appalling disaster reported from Jamaica. No doubt the subject of seismology will now receive greater attention from scientists than has been devoted to it heretofore. If calamities such as those which have shocked the world of recent months are to continue it may also be anticipated that the advisability of abandoning some of those beautiful but dangerous islands in the West Indies will be advocated. Much of the loss of life could be prevented if a few hours notice of the disturbances could be secured. Investigations in this direction should be made without delay. In the meantime it should be made incumbent upon the authorities in the places liable to visitation to construct all buildings such as hospitals, barracks and so forth of the least dangerous materials. Earthquakes are invariably followed by fires and it is to the latter that most of the horror and suffering that occurs is due.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The German Mail of the 19th December was delivered in London on the 16th January.

Yao Tung-yu, a Military Captain of Anhwei, and his family, were robbed and murdered on their way to Yochow from Changsha en route for yao's post in Anhwei.

The *Shanghai Mercury* understands that Messrs Butterfield and Swire have purchased the extensive property in Swatow belonging to Messrs Lauts and Hacalop. The purchase price is stated to be $200,000.

Preferred Death to Marriage.

The police were called in to a case of suicide in which a Chinese girl had taken her own life at a house in Gilman Street last night. The girl, it appears, was just of a marriageable age and her parents had arranged a match for her. She, however, did not approve of their selection and yesterday, while she was alone in the house, took a dose of opium. When the girl's father returned he administered Chinese medicines but without good results, and the girl died some hous later.

Chinese and the Trams.

Many of the Chinese appear never to get any wiser regarding the ways of the electric tram cars. Both men and women still step off the cars while in motion in the most unconcerned manner and only realize what has happened when they recover consciousness in the Hospital. Yesterday an old woman wandered across the tram track in front of electric Car No 1 while in front of the Central Market and was, as a matter of course, knocked down and hurt. She was removed to the hospital and is badly bruised and knocked about.

Colombo's Sanitation.

The health of Colombo is as bad as it can be just now, judging by the death rate, which for the week ending December 22nd was the record highest for the year, and probably for many a long year before. A death rate of 55.7 per 1,000 is a disgrace to our boasted civilisation, remarks the *Times of Ceylon*. We made a plea months ago for a Commission of Enquiry under Professor Simpson, or some other admitted specialist, but what was done was to appoint Dr. Chalmers to investigate and report. It would not be so easy to pigeon-hole Professor Simpson's report as it would that of an officer of the local service. Besides our case is surely as grave as that of Hongkong or Singapore, both of which ports have had to call in Professor Simpson to tell them what was wrong with the health and sanitation. There can be no satisfaction regarding a deathrate which is two or three times as heavy as it ought to be, and two or three times heavier than it was in the seventies and eighties.

Burglaries.

Quite a crop of burglaries occurred in the city last night, no fewer than four being reported to the police. In each instance arrests were made. In one case a coolie entered No. 303 Queen's Road Central by the roof and stole nine pieces of clothing. In making his escape he aroused the inmates who gave chase, and the burglar jumped off the verandah into the street below and sprained his ankle so that he was unable to escape. The police discovered the coolie to be an old offender who had returned from banishment, and for this offence he was sentenced to twelve months' gaol with a further term of a month for the burglary. In another instance a coolie was found in a house at No. 46 Lower Lascar Row, where he had no business, and in a third a coolie broke into a matshed at Quarry Bay Shipyard and was captured after having stolen some clothing. The fourth case was that of a man who broke into a house at No. 4 Mercer Street and stole clothing and jewellery of a considerable value, but was unable to escape.

SPEAKS WELL OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

MR John Main, Manager for P. J. Petersen and Company, Bloemfontein So. Africa, makes the following statement for the benefit of the public: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has a big sale here and as we have been handling it for several years, we can confidently say that we sell more of it than we do of any other preparation of that kind." This medicine is especially recommended for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and can be given to the little ones with absolute security. For sale by all chemist and storekeepers.

BY TELEGARPH.

SHAKESPEARE AND GERMANY.

BEERBOHM TREE ENGAGED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay).

LONDON, January 16.

At the request of the manager of the Royal Opera House, Berlin, Beerbohm Tree will visit Germany in April next for the purpose of producing Shakespearian plays in Berlin.

Kaiser William II has promised his patronage.

EARTHQUAKES.

KINGSTON WRECKED.

Conflicting Reports.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 16.

An earthquake has occurred at Kingston, the capital of Jamaica, West Indies, but the news so far received is of a meagre and conflicting nature.

The first report was received from Holland Bay, via St. Thomas.

It is estimated that several hundreds have been wounded and the hospitals are full of those injured.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

A New York Report.

LONDON, January 16.

Telegraphic advices from New York state that Kingston, Jamaica, has been destroyed by an earthquake, with much loss of life.

Direct telegraphic communication is interrupted.

RUSSIA.

A Czar's Rescript.

LONDON, January 15.

The Czar has issued a rescript, on the occasion of the Russian New Year, in which he thanks M. Stolypin and the Cabinet Ministers for their services in improving the internal situation in spite of the foolhardy efforts of the revolutionists.

THE NEW CHINA LOAN.

LONDON, January 15.

The new China loan has been largely over-subscribed.

CONFERENCE OF ADMIRALS.

LONDON, January 15.

The British Commanders of the China, Australian, and East Indian Stations are conferring at Singapore.

THE CHINESE FAMINE.

LONDON, January 15.

A fund for the Chinese famine has been opened at the Mansion House.

AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

The Federal Elections.

From files of Australian papers to hand to-day by the "Taiyuan" we take the following items:—

The approximate results of the Federal Elections are as follow:—

SENATE.

	Old Parlt.		New Parlt.	
Anti-socialists	16	...	18	gain 2
Socialists	14	...	15	gain 1
Ministerial	6	...	3	losses 3

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Anti-socialists	29	...	32	gain 3
Socialists	25	...	26	gain 1
Ministerial	20	...	17	losses 3
Speaker	1			

Assuming that Sir Frederick Holder is again elected Speaker the anti-socialist actual gain in voting strength will be only two in the House of Representatives.

LORD MAYOR OF SYDNEY.

Mr Thomas Hughes has been re-elected Lord Mayor of Sydney.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. Price, D. S. O., and Officers the Band of the 129th —Duke of Connaught's Own—Baluchis will play the following Programme of music, at the above Hotel, during dinner, this evening, the 17th Jan., 1907 (weather permitting.)

Grand March from Faust	.....	Gounod
Overture	..... 'The Exiles,'	Gassner
Fest Polonaise	.....	Kuhnen
Selection	..... 'The Orchid'	Caryll
Valse	..... 'Aphrodite'	Jarone
Serenade	..... 'La Manola'	Eilenberg
Selection	'The Belle of New York'	Kerker
Two Step	... 'Laughing Water' ...	Hager

GOD SAVE THE KING.

AUNT Jane: "Edith, didn't I see Mr Sweetser kissing you in the hall last night?" Edith: "Yes, but it was only in remembrance of former days." "A sort of souvenir spoon, I suppose you mean."

BY TELEGRAPH.

CHINESE INTRIGUE.

TROUBLE BREWING.

(From Our Correspondent).

SHANGHAI, January 16.

Liang Ting-fen has taken up an energetic campaign against Chou-fu (Viceroy of Canton) and Yang Shih-hsiang (Military Governor of Kirin) and aims at the removal of these two intimate friends of Yuan Shi-kai from office.

It is evident the movement has the backing of Chang Chih-tung.

JAPAN'S FINANCES.

THE NEW BUDGET.

Increasing Land and Sea Strength.

(From Our Correspondent).

SHANGHAI, January 16.

The new Japanese Budget was published yesterday.

The expenditure is estimated to amount to Yen 611,000,000 and this sum includes provision for the nationalization of railways, construction of new war vessels and increasing the strength of the land forces.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(FROM STRAITS PAPERS.)

INDIANS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

The Imperial Government declines to disallow the Transvaal Ordinance, against which Indian immigrants petitioned, precluding the latter from holding plots of land at Vrededorp near Johannesburg.

This implies the eviction of two hundred Indian native families already settled there.

CALIFORNIA AND JAPAN.

Governor Pardee, in his annual message to the California Legislature, declares that President Roosevelt does not comprehend the racial differences between Japanese, Chinese and Caucasians.

It is impossible (says the Governor) for Japanese to become good citizens.

The State claims the right to conduct its schools at it chooses.

It is reported from Washington that Senator Gearin has introduced a resolution into the Senate recommending negotiations with Japan with a view to a modification of the Treaty.

Gearin characterises the unrestricted immigration of Asiatics as a curse to American labour.

CUNARDERS AND LIVERPOOL.

The Cunard Company have issued a statement regarding the changing of their mid-week steamer from Liverpool to Southampton.

They say that while the present programme is unaltered, the Company must eventually use the advantage of the Channel ports.

There is excitement in Liverpool, where it is feared that business generally will suffer.

There is corresponding elation at Southampton, where great schemes of railway development are already being discussed.

SIAM'S NEW RAILWAY.

Reuter learns from official quarters that there is no cause for the anxiety in Singapore respecting German control of the railway from Bangkok through the Malay States.

Mr Rivett Carnac interviewed said he was convinced that the Director General of Siamese Railways had no desire to Germanise the line.

Britain and France would each take 1½ million of the new Siamese loan, and Germany three quarters of a million.

The price of issue would be above 95½

BISHOP BURDON DEAD.

The missionary, Bishop Burdon, is dead. [Burdon, Rt. Rev. John Shaw, D.D. Ordained 1852; Missionary in China, 1853-74; Bishop of Victoria, 1874-95; widower. *Publication*: translated New Testament and Common Prayer Book into Chinese.]

GREAT FIRE AT BANGKOK.

A great fire has occurred in the Chinese trading quarter of Bangkok.

The loss is reported to be over half-a-million sterling.

CHAMBERLAIN AND CANADA.

A message from Mr Chamberlain to the Canadian people has been published at Montreal.

In this Mr Chamberlain declares that "he is convinced that the bond of commerce would ultimately lead to a closer union between Britain and the Colonies. The Preference issue was never fairly raised in the United Kingdom."

A HABIT TO BE ENCOURAGED.

THE mother who has acquired the habit of keeping on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saves herself a great amount of uneasiness and anxiety. Coughs, colds and croup, to which children are susceptible are quickly cured by its use. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia, and when given as soon as the first symptoms of croup appear, it will prevent the attack. This remedy contains nothing injurious and mothers give it to little ones with a feeling of perfect security. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI TO KIAHSING.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, January 17.

The work of constructing the railway from Shanghai to Kiahsing will commence at Shanghai on January 21.

THE KOWLOON-CANTON LINE.

Agreement Signed.

The agreement between England and China with regard to the Kowloon to Canton railway has been signed.

TIENTSIN-CHINKIANG LINE.

Negotiations Proceeding.

Negotiations have been opened between the British Minister at Peking (Sir John Jordan) and the Waiwupu with regard to the proposed railway line from Tientsin to Chinkiang and also with respect to the Burmah-China railway.

KIUKIANG-NANCHANG LINE.

A Loan Raised.

The Belgian syndicate has succeeded in negotiating a six per cent. loan of Taels 4,000,000 in Kiangsi for the railway between Kinkiang and Nanchang.

THE OPIUM TRADE.

NEGOTIATIONS OPENED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, January 17.

The British Minister at Peking has opened negotiations with the Waiwupu with regard to the import of opium.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

Singapore's Programme.

H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, accompanied by the Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia, is expected to arrive at Singapore on February 1 by the P. and O. s.s. "Delhi."

Johnston's Pier and the route from the Esplanade by Stamford and Orchard Roads to Government House will be decorated.

The decorations will be similar to those, at the time of the visit of H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught.

The Duke will be received by a Guard-at-Honour of the Royal West Kent Regiment at the pier, and will then drive to the Victoria Memorial Hall, where addresses will be presented to him.

H.R.H. the Duchess will be asked to start the big clock in the tower of the Memorial Hall.

The Royal visitors will then drive to Government House, and will return to the steamer in the afternoon.

In the morning, the route to Government House will be lined by Regulars, and in the afternoon by Volunteers.

The 95th Russell's Infantry will furnish a Guard-of-Honour at the departure from the pier in the afternoon.

On the return trip, the Royal party will stay at Government House from February 14 to February 18. No arrangements for this visit have been made.

The appointment of Field Marshal H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn is "Inspector General of the Forces, and President of the Selection Board," and his salary is £4,000. Major Lt. Green-Wilkinson is his private secretary.

The officers who are announced as on the staff on H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught for his approaching tour of inspection to the Far East are Brigadier-General Sir John Grenfell Maxwell, K.C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., and Lieut the Hon. Cyril Myles Brabazon Ponsonby, M.V.O., formerly A. D. C. to Sir Henry Blake. He is the second son of the present Earl of Bessborough.

LOCAL EFFORTS.

A meeting of prominent members of the Chinese community was held yesterday afternoon to make arrangements for the entertainment of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. It was decided to entertain the Royal visitors at a tea party at the Ko Shing theatre on February 7th afternoon and to give a theatrical performance at the same time. A strong committee was appointed to superintend arrangements.

CROUP.

A Reliable medicine and one that should always be kept in the home for immediate use is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will prevent the attack if given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no opium or other harmful drug. For sale by al chemists and storekeepers.

SALE OF RACE COURSE BOOTHS.

The sale of booths in connection with the forthcoming race meeting took place at the Happy Valley Race Course this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The sale was as usual conducted by Messrs Hughes and Hough and buyers were reminded that the prohibition against gambling still remains in force.

Nineteen stands were sold and realised $4,600 as against $3,755 for last year. The buyers of the different stands were:—No 1, Mr Jones, $180; No 2. Mr Jones, $410; No 3. Mr Jones, $400; No 4, Unity, $410; No 5, Unity, $520; No 6. Mr C. Lesberil, $330; No 7, Mr J. Remedios, $540; No 8, Mr Ritchie, $270: No 9, Mr Ritchie, $310; No 10, Mr Lo Lee Man, $300; No 11 Mr Osavis $220; No 12, Mr I. Arakawa, $210; No 13, Mr T. Arakawa, $300; Nor 14, Mr A. Razack, $50; No 15, Mr Hotseuk Wai, $50; No 16, Mr A. Razack, $50; No 17, Ah On, $20; No 18, Ah On, $20; No 19, Ah On, $10.

MACAO BANK NOTES.

Acceptable at Par Value.

We are informed that the Bank Notes issued in Macao by the Banco Nacional Ultramarino will be accepted by local banks at face value. The Head Office of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino is in Lisbon and it ranks as the second bank in Portugal, the Bank of Portugal being the first. Messrs Rozario and Company are the local agents of the Bank and the Manager (Mr J. J. Leiria, Portuguese Vice-Consul) has notified us that he will redeem the bank notes up to any amount at their face value in Hongkong currency. The notes are issued to the value of $1, $5 and $25.

The introduction of these notes should facilitate business between Macao and Hongkong for their use will obviate the usual discount charged on Chinese subsidiary coin and Chinese bank notes which have generally been the medium for exchange.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Annual Flower Show.

A special general meeting of the Horticultural Society was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of electing a president for the present year. Sir Francis T. Piggott, first president of the Society, tendered his resignation owing to pressure of work at the Supreme Court and Mr J. Burton was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy.

Some minor alternations were also made to the society's rules to facilitate its management.

Regarding the annual flower show it was decided that it should take place on February 26th and 27th next and that permission should be asked to hold the show in the public gardens in the same way as last year. The show is expected to be about on the same scale as last year and further details regarding it, which are now being arranged, will be notified by advertisement shortly.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS FOR LIFE SAVING.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has kindly consented to present medals awarded under Bellios Trust Number 11 to five persons whose gallantry in saving life during the typhoon of 18th September has been brought to the notice of the Trustees. The ceremony will take place at the Council Chamber on Saturday, 19th instant, at 12.30 p.m. and the public are invited to attend.

The following are the recipients:—

Chu Yu-mu and Chu Mi, lighthouse-keepers at Waglan, who gallantly rescued a Macao fisherman from the outer point of the island at 5.30. p.m. They swam across the gap in a very rough sea and assisted the man, who was badly bruised and in a very exhausted condition, over the rocks to the water's edge; where they placed a life buoy round him and helped him across the gap, thus risking their lives twice, and undoubtedly saving his. Awarded a silver medal and $10 each.

Chinese Constable 304, Chue Shue-yang and Wong Yau, fishmonger, who at great personal risk saved the crew of a water boat at Sham Shui Po. Awarded a silver medal and $10 each.

To Pat-mui, married woman of Aberdeen, who was specially mentioned by Inspector Dymond for brave and devoted conduct. "She worked hard and courageously throughout the storm at rescuing people, while men looked on and laughed." Awarded a bronze medal and $10.

SURGEON DIES OPERATING.

Dr George Bagot Ferguson, senior surgeon of Cheltenham General Hospital and a former president of the British Medical Association, died with tragic suddenness from heart failure in the hospital recently.

He arrived early in the evening to conduct an operation of a difficult and critical nature. This had been in progress for some time when he suddenly fell back unconscious and other surgeons were telephoned for, and the operation was successfully completed.

"But if you love me, Madeline, why not the happy day two years away?" "Because, Horace, it will take me fully that long time to use up my monogram stationery."

"Yes," said the veteran of many wars, "I have participated in seventeen engagements." "What," exclaimed the pretty young widow; "and you are still a bachelor?"

OPIUM SUPPRESSION.

A Correspondent writes:—The letter published by you in the CHINA MAIL on Tuesday evening which referred to the suppression of opium smoking, and the opium trade in general, recalled to my mind the recent edict published by Chou Fu, which is a copy of the instructions which the Viceroy of Canton sent to the Provincial Judge. The latter has been ordered by the Viceroy to take the matter in hand with all vigour, and to see that the instructions sent from Peking are carried out. The first order is that all opium smokers among the Mandarins, whether in high or less important positions in Government employ, must within the period of six days send in their names to the official in question. No hesitation is to be allowed, and no one is exempt. Indeed if there be any suspicion that opium-smokers among the officials are trying to hide the habit, special Commissioners are to be sent to personally examine into the matter. When a correct list of those who are smokers has thus been secured, as was announced before, six months are to be allowed in which to get free from the vice. No quarter apparently is to be granted. Indeed the order is that whatever pain or weakness or sickness may follow the attempt to free themselves from opium that thing has to be done. Yet, on the other hand, there appears to be a loophole for extreme cases. It is said that where the attempt has been seriously made, and has failed, a representation of the case in point shall be made to Peking. But wherever there has been any attempt to hide the habit, and to continue its practice surreptitiously, no mercy is to be shown, and such officials will be immediately cashiered. The tone of the edict is very stern. It appears moreover that among the people generally there is a feeling that something drastic is to be attempted. I was watching an opium smoker a day or so ago, who was indulging freely, and I heard him saying to a friend of his sitting by, that he was expecting soon to be debarred from his pipe, and he looked forward to that as a catastrophe. There is a general feeling abroad that the Chinese Government is fully intending to take the matter seriously in hand, and that if they do so, probably opium smoking will be stamped out, however hardly it may press upon those who get their living by selling the drug, and however difficult it may be for individual smokers to free themselves from the habit.

THE FAMINE.

The Big Camp at Tsingkiangpu.

TSINGKIANGPU, January 11.

I arrived here on Thursday after being delayed six hours through the launch running aground in the Grand Canal at Kaoyochou.

On the north-west side of the city, about one mile away, there are camps stretching, roughly speaking, two miles long and a mile wide, over flat sandy country. These camps are divided in squares of about 125 paces each way. They are laid out symmetrically in rectangular blocks, the mat huts being built in rows with lanes between them. The entrance gates of each camp are guarded by police, while soldiers patrol the whole country. I was considerably surprised with the organization and the administration. The same remarks apply to the camps in the vicinity of Shibu, about five miles away and north of Wangintai from three to five miles up the Canal.

I have now counted 48 camps averaging from a thousand to twelve hundred families each. I estimate the total number of refugees at 450,000 of whom 30 per cent show signs of distress, 10 per cent of acute distress. Money only is being doled out by the officials. Throughout the whole country the roads are thronged by rice and food pedlars with the refugees bargaining with them. The women and children for miles are grubbing up roots, grass and every conceiveable thing that might serve for food or fuel. In the camps one sees people eating a mixture of cooked leaves, grass and twigs with a little cereal and rice.

The horrors of the filth prevailing are unspeakable. At present there is bright sunshine, but it is intensely cold at night. All the pools are frozen.

The officials are trying to persuade the people to return home; many are doing so, but many more are arriving. The roads are thronged with the two streams of traffic and the scene is often indescribable.

100,000 men are absolutely idle; many are clamouring for work, but no one is doing any. No attempt is being made to repair the roads, which are in a terrible condition, nor to make ditches or drains. As yet no crops are growing, as the floods have not dried up sufficiently to admit of tillage. In an ordinary year the country hereabout would at this season be green with growing wheat; it is now as bare as the palm of one's hand.

All relief at present comes from the officials in the form of barrel-loads of money, which are continually passing along the street. It is impossible to get figures. The cheques coming from the Executive Committee are useless as the people do not eat milk foods. Their dispatch here is causing the officials much merriment.

I have sifted a mass of evidence. It is obvious that the affair is gigantic, and, unless a system of relief works is organized immediately, the end is beyond all conception. The local authorities, as far as can be judged at present are apparently inclined to any steps beyond keeping the people under control or getting them away. The demeanour of the thousands is patient and law-abiding, but the pinch has not yet been felt.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

WHEN YOU HAVE A BAD COLD

YOU want a remedy that will give you prompt relief. Get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers

THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

The Philharmonic Society's first concert this season will take place at the City Hall to-morrow evening and already a very large audience is assured. Indeed the booking has been exceedingly heavy and but very few seats remain to be obtained. The programme is a very carefully chosen one and gives promise of an excellent evening's entertainment. The chorus is excellingly well blended and strong and the orchestra has arrived at a state of perfection which only comes of much practise.

The programme is as follows:—

Part I.

Bource.....German
The Orchestra.

Song—"Afterday".....Scott
Mr Frank Austin.

Air de ballet.....Pitt
The Orchestra.
(Solo, Mr J. P. F. Jokl.)

Duet—"In the Springtime".....Newton
Mrs Kew and Mrs Perkins.

Piano Concerto.....Mendelssohn
Mr Denman Fuller.
(Conductor, Mr J. P. F. Jokl.)

Part II.

"The Banner of St. George".....Elgar
(Soloist, Mrs F. Maitland.)

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The engagement of Sir John Keane, Bart., to the Hon'ble Eleanor Hicks-Beach, oldest daughter of Viscount St. Aldwyn, was announced late in December.

Colonel Murray left Singapore on Jan. 7 by the German mail steamer "Prinz Eitel Friedrich" on a year's leave in Europe. During his absence Mr F. J. Piggott from Penang acts as Colonial Engineer and Surveyor General of the Straits Settlements.

Owing to Mr J. A. Tarrant's inability to give his promised paper at the Union Church Literary Club, this evening, the Rev. C. H. Hicklling has kindly undertaken to read a paper on "Slang Language, its origin and use". The Chair will be taken by Mr J. L. McPherson at 9 p.m.

Mr H. G. Pallett, who has been H.B.M.'s Acting Consul at Nagasaki for rather more than a year, left there on the 8th January for Tokyo consequent upon his appointment as Vice-Consul at Tairen (Dalny). British interests have not yet been represented at Tairen and the Government is evidently uncertain as to its future as only a Vice-Consulate is being established there. Mr F. W. Playfair, H.B.M.'s Consul at Nagasaki, and his wife and daughter were expected at Nagasaki from home on the 9th January by the N.D.L. s.s. "Prince Heinrich."

Mr Alexander William Black, who was killed in the railway accident near Arbroath, had been the Radical representative of Banffshire since 1900, having succeeded Sir William Wedderburn. He is a member of the firm of A. W. Black and Co., Writers to the Signet, of Edinburgh, and is one of the members who are the more appreciated in the House of Commons because they are not always trying to catch the Speaker's eye. A Unionist has never got into Parliament for Banffshire, where the Liberal majorities have usually roamed about in the thousands, although in 1895 and 1900 there were only a few hundred votes dividing the parties. At the last election, however, Mr Black's majority was 2,200. Had Mr Black recovered he would not have been the first member of Parliament without legs, who has sat at Westminster. The case of Mr Arthur Michael Kavanagh, a well-to-do Irish gentleman, is famous. He was born without legs, which did not, however, prevent him from being strapped on to his horse and riding to hounds, not from sitting in the House of Commons for many years.

REVIEW.

A GAMBLE WITH LIFE. By Silas K. Hocking. T. Fisher Unwin, Adelphi Terrace, W. C., London.

This latest book by Silas K. Hocking, the author of "The Flaming Sword," and other well-known novels, is one that will well repay the reader, as it touches deeper into human nature and its imperfections than the general run of books. The hero, Rufus Sterne, whose early life has been spent under the care of his grandfather—a severe Minister of the Gospel,—had his belief in religion shattered by the austere and loveless creed propounded by the Rev. Reuben Sterne, and had drifted into believing in a doctrine of negatives. His life, he argued, was his own, to do with as he chose and there was no power to say him nay, for with death came complete extinction. Holding such a belief and being in want of £1000 to develop an invention which was to revolutionise a large industry, he raises the money from a solicitor on his life-insurance policy, giving his word of honour to see that the money would be repaid within a stipulated time, either by himself if successful, or by the insurance company if unsuccessful—a very remote possibility as it then appeared to him. A nice point of "honesty" is raised at this stage, which Rufus does not appreciate, though later on it returns to him with trebled force and insistence. How he progresses and how the creed into which he has drifted gradually becomes more and more untenable the reader, must find out for himself, or herself. There are exciting passages in the book, one in particular being the rescue of the heroine, an American heiress, by Rufus Sterne. The heiress' character is finely drawn and the intrigues of her guardian—a baronet—to induce her to marry his son—an unprincipled rogue—are skilfully told. The book is of fascinating interest and is well illustrated.

LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, December 14.

The most interesting events of the week have been the San Francisco school question as to the rights of Japanese scholars, the debate in the German Chamber as to Colonial policy, the sudden developments of the Church and State controversy in France, the fate of our own Education Bill, and the new constitution of the Transvaal. I have given my scanty leisure to the work of interviewing Californians, Germans, Frenchmen and Educationalists on four of these subjects, but have been unable to secure first-hand information on the last, as the letters-patent were only published yesterday morning and Thursday is already my busiest day.

My first victim was a Californian, and strongly opposed to the admission of Japanese to what he called White-folks' schools in San Francisco. He told me bluntly, "You know nothing about these yellow races." (I humbly acquiesced, saying nothing about my twelve years in Hongkong. It was his call and I wished to listen patiently to American prejudice even at its crudest.) "These Japs have their own ideas of morality," he continued "they send students of mature age to the schools, and Japanese youths are not ideal companions for American children. Beside, what have they to complain about? We provide schools for Asiatics where they can have all the advantages our own children get and they lose nothing by not being permitted to associate with whites. It is purely a matter of administration with which the Federal Government has nothing to do, and Roosevelt will not be able to bluff California out of her State rights."

Then I passed on to my German friend, who affected to regard the Clericalist and Socialist attack on German Colonial administration as a mere party move. He held that men who go out to German colonies do not do so out of patriotism or of consideration of their health, but to make money, and must not be expected to be over scrupulous. If it were possible for the Empire to pay them better and increase the dignity of their position, the Empire would secure better men, but after all, "half the lies told about these men are not true, and if you take your ideas about German politics from Bebel, you will go far wrong. It is just like your English parliament. All the speeches have a partisan spirit, and you must allow for that. Besides, what did you yourselves do in New Zealand and the Pacific? (I could not tell him.) The Colonies are young yet. Wait till we get more fully developed. The Kaiser will see to all that."

Then I sought the Frenchman, one of the best known in London. He is Republican and thinks that the Church in France has no grievance and that it knows this. "If the Pope had not interfered, there would have been no trouble at all. The law is not burdensome and French priests and bishops would have complied with it readily if Pius X had not forbidden them. As it is, over most of the country due notification will be given and the services will go on. Yes there will be disturbances and may even be bloodshed in Britanny, but the rest of the country will take a more sensible view of the situation. As for the confiscation of Monsignor Montagnini's papers, that was by the right of the strongest. The Government wished to strike hard and what they got was worth the irregularity. It will scare the others."

The Magna Charta of South Africa is not an attractive document. Imperialists conducted the war and pro-Boers negotiate the *post-bellum* settlement. The new legislature must meet within six months and Chinese labour must be abolished within twelve months thereafter. This will effectually wreck the gold mining industry but will enable ministerialists to save their face, gravely imperilled by the terminological inexactitudes which won them the general election. The electors are to be "every white male British subject of the age of twenty-one years and upwards," except soldiers. This excludes the British and insures a Boer majority. There is a long list of matters that must be reserved for Home decision, but as, during the five years for which the first house is elected, there will be two biennial rectifications of the registery, the Africanders will have ample time to gerrymander things their own way before the new government gets "into its stride."

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The "Alacrity" left Singapore on Jan. 9 for Hongkong. The "Ollo" was to leave on the 15th for Hongkong, calling at Jolselton and Manila en route.

On January 10 a Marine Court of Enquiry comprising Mr. W. C. Michell, President, Lieut. Bourchier, H.M.S. "King Alfred," Naval Assessor, and Captains Dawson and Fawcus, Nautical Assessors, sat at Singapore to enquire into the circumstances attending the loss of the steamer "Billiton" on an uncharted reef in the seas of the Natuna Group.

Captain Gibson, master of the s.s. "Billiton," said he left Sedano on Dec. 16 at 6.5 a.m. [Sedano is an island to the West of the Natunas.] The pilot was discharged at 6.20 and the ship bore away for Ulu through Selat Lumpor. At 6.40 the vessel struck on a reef. She was then going 8½ knots. Five minutes later the chief engineer reported the water up to the furnaces. The boats were lowered and the passengers and crew embarked in them. At 6.50 the engineer reported "fires out and the steamer floating at the deck line." Witness ordered the boats away and the steamer sank. The port boat was sent to Sedano in charge of the gunner. The starboard boat made for Kambing Island where her passengers were landed. She returned to the scene of the wreck but the "Billiton" had disappeared. The boat returned to the island, picked up the passengers, and proceeded to Sedano. Sedano was reached at 11.50 a.m.

The Court exonerated Captain Gibson from all blame and returned him his certificate. Costs of the enquiry to be paid by Government.

The following Japanese warships are expected to be launched during this year.

Battleship "Aki" (15,000 tons) at Kure.

Armoured cruiser "Iwaki" (14,600 tons) at Kure.

Armoured cruiser "Kurama" (14,600 tons) at Yokosuka.

Cruiser "Tone" (3,400 tons) at Sasebo.

Cruiser "Mogami" (3,400 tons) at the Kawasaki Shipbuilding Yard, Kobe.

Destroyer "Rikitsuki" (380 tons) at the Uraga Shipbuilding Yard.

The s.s. "Glamorganshire" (Captain Norris) arrived yesterday from London. When making for Port Swettenham she struck an uncharted reef, but fortunately was not damaged. A surveying party from H.M.S. "Monmouth" located the rock as follows:—Lat: 3 deg: 13 min: 37 secs: N. and Long. 101 deg: 12 min: 50 secs E. about two and a half miles due North of the Pulau Angus Lighthouse.

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LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via MARSEILLES	BORNEO ..... Capt. G.W. GORDON, R.N.R.	About 30th January.	Freight and Passage.

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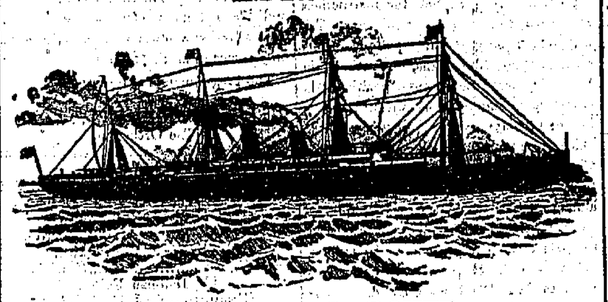
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STEAMERS.		SAILING DATES.
MANILA	1790 tons	FRIDAY, 1st Feb., 1907.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3227 tons	THURSDAY, 28th Feb., "
PRINZ SIGISMUND..... ...	3302 tons	THURSDAY, 28th Mar., "

ON FRIDAY, the 1st day of February, at NOON, the STEAMSHIP MANILA, Captain MINSSEN, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, will leave this port as above.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1ST CLASS	2ND CLASS	3RD CLASS	1ST CLASS	2ND CLASS
To MANILA.....	$50.—	$30.—	$20.—	return $80.—	$50.—
To NEW GUINEA.....	£28.—	£18.10	£14.00	return £42.—	£27.15
To BRISBANE	£30.—	£20.—	£14.—	return £54.—	£36.—
To SYDNEY.....	£33.—	£23.—	£15.—	return £59.10	£41.10
To MELBOURNE	£34.10	£24.10	£16.—	return £62.5	£44. 5
To YOKOHAMA.....	$ 80.00	$ 60.00	$ 40.00	return $170.00	$120.
To KOBE	$ 95.00	$ 70.00	$ 50.00	return $170.00	$120.
To YOKOHAMA & back from KOBE to HONGKONG ...	$140.00	$100.00			

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG 1ST CLASS
To **Europe** VIA **Australia and Colombo** by Imperial Mail Steamer ... ... £97.0. 0.
To **Europe** VIA **Australia and America** ... ... 96. 0. 0.
(From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C. P. R. Co.'s steamers and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd.)

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	ABOUT 1907.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA...	GNEISENAU.....	FRIDAY, Jan. 18.
Do	...PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 30.

TRANSPACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG,
via Vancouver or San Francisco to **NEW YORK** by the C. P. R. Co's steamers, P. M. S. S. Co., O. & O. S. S. Co., T. K. K. and from **NEW YORK** to **EUROPE** by the Magnificent Express steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following rates:—

	1ST CLASS
to London via Plymouth or Southampton	£62. 0. 0.
to Bremen	63. 10. 0.
to Paris via Cherbourg	65. 0. 0.
to Naples, Genoa, via Gibraltar	0. 0.

Passage money payable in local currency at current sight Bank Rate of Exchange on the day of payment.
Norddeutscher Lloyd.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., *Agents.*

THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO, VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship DAKOTAH, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 25th February, 1907.
For freight and further particulars, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., *Agents.*
Hongkong, January 16, 1907. 105

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
With Liberty to Call at MALABAR COAST.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

STEAMERS.	To SAIL. 1907.
SATSUMA	January 21.
SIKH	February 9.
MUNCASTER CASTLE..	March 12.

For Freight and further information, Apply to
DODWELL & CO., LTD., *Agents.*
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Shipping.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANÇAIS.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship TOURANE, Captain LAUGHLIN, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 21st January.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*
Hongkong, January 16, 1907. 103

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.



STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, AUSTRALIA ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship SALAZIE, Captain ALLAND, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 22nd January, 1907, at 1 P.M.
Passage Tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports, and for Australia with prompt transhipment at Colombo.
Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.
Next Sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. OCEANIEN .....Feb. 5, 1907.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*
Hongkong, January 8, 1907. 61

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship JAPAN, Captain J. G. CLIFFET, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 22nd January, at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
D. SASSOON & Co., LD., *Agents.*
Hongkong, January 14, 1907. 94

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship AUSTRIA, Captain BILAFFER, will leave for the above places on or about THURSDAY, the 24th inst., p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co., *Agents.*
Prince's Building.
Hongkong, January 16, 1907. 106

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship EMPIRE, Captain HELMS, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 26th January, at Noon.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., *Agents.*
Hongkong, January 5, 1907. 47

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME and TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship CHINA, Captain DAMIANOVICH, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 31st inst., p.m.
This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.
For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER, & CO., *Agents,* Princes' Building.
Hongkong, January 4, 1907. 36

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG & CALLAO & IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS.
Will be sent to VALPARAISO if sufficient inducement.

THE Steamship KASATO MARU, Tons 6000, Captain W. C. T. S. FELKER, will be despatched for Callao, Iquique, via Japan Ports, on APRIL, 1907.
Taking Freight and Passengers o other Western Coast Ports of South America.
The above steamers have splendid accommodation and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried on each boat.
For further information, apply
K. MATSDA, *Manager,* York Building.
Hongkong, December 27, 1906. 246

Shipping.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS FOR

MARSEILLES & LONDON,

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers to Colombo	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to Marseilles & London	Due at Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at Plymouth London 1 day later)
Tons	Noon Sat'day	Tons	Saturday, 1907	Saturday, 1907
ARCADIA 7000	Jan. 26, 1907	INDIA.....8000	Feb. 23	Mar. 2
DELTA.....8000	Feb. 9	MONGOLIA....10000	Mar. 9	Mar. 16
DEVANHA ...8000	Feb. 23	BRITANNIA.. 7000	Mar. 23	Mar. 30
DELHI.....8000	Mar. 9	MAMORA 10500	Apr. 6	Apr. 13
Macedonia 10500	Mar. 23	Through to Marseilles and London, via Bombay	Apr. 20	Apr. 27
MALTA 6000	Apr. 6	MOLDAVIA ...10000	May 4	May 11
ARCADIA 7000	Apr. 20	HIMALAYA... 7000	May 18	May 25
DELTA 8000	May 4	VICTORIA..... 7000	June 1	June 8
DEVANHA ...8000	May 18	INDIA..... 8000	June 15	June 22

Passengers change steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from COLOMBO is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following :—

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON,

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers.	Tonnage	Leave Hongkong	Due at London
		about	about
* BORNEO	5000	Jan. 30	March 18
† JAVA	4500	Feb. 13	April 1
* NYANZA.....	7000	Feb. 27	April 15
† MANILA.....	4500	Mar. 27	May 13
* NILE.....	7000	April 10	May 27
† JAPAN	4500	April 24	June 10

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.
* Carries 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.— † Carries only First Saloon Passengers.
For further particulars, Apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

By the new steamers *Rhenania*, *Hapsburg* and *Hohenstaufen*. These steamers offer to the public the highest comfort yet attained in ocean travelling. They are especially built for the tropics with very large well ventilated cabins, amidship, lighted throughout by electricity, fans provided in each cabin. The berths are not arranged one above the other as it has been the fashion hitherto, but the staterooms closely resemble ordinary sleeping rooms on shore, the berths standing like beds at either side of the cabins. As a novelty, a number of cabins are provided for single passengers. These steamers call at Naples & Plymouth. In addition to the above steamers, the s.s. *Silesia* and *Scandia* carry first-class passengers. Return Tickets issued at reduced rates, through tickets issued to New York, via Naples, Southampton and Hamburg.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Outward. for Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.		Homeward. for the Straits, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Naples, Plymouth, Havre and Hamburg.	
SCANDIA.....	5th Feb.	† SILESIA	8th Feb.
HABSBRG	3rd Mar.	† SCANDIA	22nd Mar.
RHENANIA	1st Apr.	HABSBURG	5th Apr.
HOHENSTAUFEN .....30th Apr.		RHENANIA	1st May.
SILESIA .....31st May.		HOHENTAUFEN.....14th June.	
SCANDIA .....30th June.		† Call at Lisbon.	

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail.
SHAWMUT	9606	E. V. Roberts.....	February 5, 1907.
TREMONT	9606	T. W. Garlick	February 26, 1907.

* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

The Twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Tremont* are fitted with very superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For farther information Apply to

Dodwell & Co., Limited,
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PASSENGER SEASON 1907.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

THROUGH STEAMER FOR

MARSEILLES & LONDON,

VIA COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

THE S.S. **'MACEDONIA,'**

10500 TONS, CAPT. C. D. BENNETT, R.N.R.

Will be despatched at NOON on **SATURDAY**, the 23rd **MARCH**, and is due in Marseilles on the 20th April and London on the 27th April.

In addition to giving Passengers an opportunity of spending about 24 hours in BOMBAY this vessel will make a fast run to MARSEILLES and LONDON. The voyage from Hongkong to Marseilles should be completed in 28 days and to London in 35 days.

FARES TO MARSEILLES: £61 First and **£42** Second Saloon, and to London **£65** First and **£44** Second Saloon.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*

Hongkong, October 4, 1906. 1932

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamer	To Sail.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	*ONSANG*	FRIDAY, Jan. 18, at 3 P.M.
* MANILA	*YUENSANG*.....	FRIDAY, Jan. 18, at 4 P.M.
† SHANGHAI.....	*WOSANG*	FRIDAY, Jan. 18, at 4 P.M.
† SHANGHAI.....	*CHOYSANG* ...	SATURDAY, Jan. 19, at 4 P.M.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	*LAISANG*.....	THURSDAY, Jan. 24, at 3 P.M.

* These Steamers have superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin, (Via Ching Wan Tao) and Yangtsze Ports.
‡ Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Kudat, Lahad Datu, Simporna, Tawao, Usukan, Jesselton and Labuan.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

The Co.'s s.s.	For	Leaving
* *MASAN MARU*, Capt. I. SAKURAI,	TAMSUI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.	SUNDAY, 20th Jan., at Daylight.

* These Steamers have excellent Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Saloon Amidships. Unrivalled Table.
† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtsze & Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office, at SECOND FLOOR, No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

T. ARIMA, *Manager.*

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Not Responsible for Debts.

NEITHER the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt or Debts contracted by the Crew of the following Vessel during her stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

E. B. SUTTON, American Ship, Captain Butman.—Arnhold Karberg & Co.

Notices to Consignees.

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *MACDUFF*.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the GODOWNS of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN CO., LTD., at KOWLOON, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st January at 3 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1907. 91

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BENLARIG*.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous GODOWNS of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN CO., LIMITED, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 20th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st January, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1907. 90

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Laisang* having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 19th Inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 16, 1907. 104

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, January 10th, 1907.
At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat. 肉食

		cts.	
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	lb	20	扒龍尾牛肉
,, Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	,,	20	鹹牛肉
,, Roast,—Shiu ,,	,,	20	燒牛肉
,, Brisket,—Ngau Lam ,,	,,	15	牛腩
,, Soup,—Tong Yuk	,,	15	湯肉
,, Steak,—Ngau Yuk Pa	,,	20	牛肉扒
,, ,, Cuiom Ngau Lan Sirloin	,,	30	牛柳
,, Sausage,—Ngau Chaung	,,	25	牛腸
Bullock's Brains,—Slow	per set	10	牛腦
,, Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each	50	牛脷
,, ,, corned—Ham Ngau Li	,,	55	鹹牛脷
,, Head,—Ngau Tau	,,	50	牛頭
,, Heart,—Ngau Sum	lb.	12	牛心
,, Hump, Suet—Ngau Kin	,,	20	牛肩脢
,, Feet,—Ngau Kerk	each	7	牛腳
,, Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	,,	10	牛腰
,, Tail,—Ngau Mei	,,	17	牛尾
,, Liver,—Ngau Con	lb.	12	牛肝
,, Tripe (undressed)—Ngau Tw	,,	7	牛肚
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kak	set	1.00	牛仔頭腳
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pai Kwat	lb.	24	羊排骨
,, Leg,—Yeung Pei	,,	24	羊比
,, Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	,,	20	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi chong	,,	24	豬腸
,, Brains—Chi Know per set		2	豬腦
,, Feet,—Chi Kerk	,,	12	豬腳
,, Fry,—Chi Chak	,,	12	豬雜
,, Head,—Chi Tau	,,	12	豬頭
,, Heart,—Chi Sum	each	9	豬心
,, Kidneys,—Chi Yiu	,,	8	豬腰
,, Liver,—Chi Con	lb.	28	豬肝
Pork, Chop,—Chi Pai Kwat	,,	21	豬排骨
,, Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	,,	—	鹹豬肉
,, Leg,—Chu Pei	,,	22	豬比
,, Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	,,	16	豬油
Sheeps' Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Kerk	set	60	羊頭腳
,, Heart,—Yeung Sum	each	6	羊心
,, Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	,,	10	羊腰
,, Liver,—Yeung Con	lb.	24	羊肝
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	,,	—	豬仔
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	,,	16	生牛油
,, Mutton,—Sang Yeung Yau	,,	24	生羊油
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	,,	20	牛仔肉
,, Sausages,—Ngau Chai Cheong	,,	20	牛仔腸

Poultry. 生口

		cts.	
Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb	28	鷄仔
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	,,	28	鐵鷄
Ducks,—Ap	,,	18	鴨
Doves,—Pin Kau	each	15	班鳩
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per dozen	20	鷄蛋
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	,,	30	鷄
,, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	,,	25	海南鷄
Geese,—Ngoi	,,	17	鵝
Geese, Wild Sh'ai,—S'hai Yer Ngoi	pair	—	上海野鵝
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	each	$3.00	黃鯨
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	,,	55	兎仔
Partridge,—Che Kau	,,	45	鷓鴣
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair	$1.50	山鷄
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each	26	白鴿
,, Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	,,	23	海口白鴿
Quail,—Um-Chun	,,	13	鵪鶉
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen	—	禾花雀
Snipe,—Sa-Chay	each	24	沙錐
Turkeys, Cock—Phor Kai Kung	,,	55	火鷄公
,, Hen, ,, ,, Na	,,	42	火鷄𪂿
Wild Ducks, S'hai,—Shanghai Sui-ap	pair	$1.10	上海水鴨
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai,	,,	45	水鴨仔
Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap	ea.	85	省城水鴨

Fish. 海鮮

		cts.	
Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb	12	加魚
Bream,—Bin Yu	,,	11	鯿魚
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	,,	10	海鮮魚
Carp,—Li Yu	,,	16	鯉魚
Catfish,—Chik Yu	,,	10	赤魚
Codfish,—Mun Yu	,,	13	鱈魚
Crabs,—Hai	,,	16	蟹
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu	,,	12	墨魚
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	,,	14	沙盂魚
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	,,	10	黃尾鱲
Dog Fish—Tit Tz So	,,	8	跌倒沙
Eels, Conger,—Hai Mann	,,	14	海鰻
,, Fresh water,—Tam Siu Yu	,,	24	淡水魚
Eels, Yellow,—Wong Sin	,,	28	黃鱔
Frogs,—Tien Kai	,,	32	田鷄
Garoupa,—Sek Pan	,,	48	石班
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	,,	12	白鮯魚
Herrings,—Tao Pak	,,	16	曹白
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup	,,	24	將軍甲魚
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	,,	18	黃花魚
Loach,—Wu Yu	,,	20	鳥魚
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	,,	32	龍蝦
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	,,	12	鯖魚
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	,,	24	芒魚
Mullet,—Chai Yu	,,	18	鯔魚
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	,,	20	生蠔
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	,,	14	鷄公魚
Perch,—Tau Loo	,,	13	頭鱸
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	,,	8	花皮蓬
Plaice,—Pan Yu	,,	15	班魚
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	,,	20	黑鯧
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong	,,	28	白鯧
Prawns,—Ming Ha	,,	48	明蝦
Ray—Pei Pa Sa	,,	8	琵琶沙公
Rock Fish,—Sek Kau Kung	,,	12	石狗公魚
Roach,—Chun Yu	,,	28	鱒魚
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	,,	15	馬友魚
Shark,—Sa Yu	,,	9	鯊魚
Shad,—Pó Yu	,,	10	鮊魚
Shrimps,—Ha	,,	24	蝦
Snapper,—Lap Yu	,,	18	立魚
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	,,	18	撻沙魚
Tench,—Wan Yu	,,	16	鯇魚
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	,,	20	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kork Yu	,,	56	脚魚
White Bait,—Ngan Yu Chai	,,	—	銀魚仔

Fruits. 菓子

		cts.	
Almonds,—Hung Yan	lb	18	杏仁
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	,,	24	金山平菓
,, (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	,,	—	天津平菓
,, Small,—Hoi Tong	,,	—	海棠
Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	each	—	番荔枝
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	,,	3	省城香蕉
Bananas, (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu	,,	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Foong Lut	,,	12	風栗
Carambola,—Yeung Tao	,,	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tsz	each	14	椰子
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	lb	7	檸檬
,, America—Kum San Ning Moon	,,	7	金山檸檬
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con	,,	45	荔枝乾
,, Fresh— ,,	,,	—	荔枝
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	,,	7	西貢檸檬
Mango, Manila—Lai Sung Mong	,,	—	呂宋芒子
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tsz	,,	—	山竹子
Oranges, (Canton)—San Shing Tim Chang	lb	6	省城甜橙
Passion Fruit	dozen	—	
Pears, (American),—Kam San Shut Li	lb	—	金山雪梨
,, (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Li	,,	—	沙梨
,, (Shanghai),—Sheung Hai Li	,,	—	上海梨
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	,,	10	花生
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	,,	—	紅柿
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Sheung Poon Ti	,,	12	本地菠蘿
,, Paw Law	each	—	
,, 2nd cooking—Chung-tang-paw-law	,,	—	中等菠
Plantains,—Tai Chew	lb	—	大蕉
Plums,—Swatow Hung Lai	,,	—	紅梨
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	,,	8	暹羅油
Walnuts,—Hop Tao	lb	15	合桃
,, Green,—Sang Hop Tao	,,	—	生合桃
Water Melon—(Am.) Kum San Sai Kwa	,,	—	金山西瓜
,, (China) Sai Kwa	,,	—	西瓜

Vegetables, &c. 菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Ah Chi Chouk	lb	8	上海亞支竹
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Tau	,,	8	澳門扁豆
,, (French), Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin Tau	,,	8	上海扁豆
Sprout,—Ah Chol	,,	4	芽菜
,, Long,—Tau Kok	,,	—	豆角
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each	2	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuen Kee	,,	4	青元茄
,, Red,—Hung Ker	,,	4	紅茄
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	,,	4	芥菜
Cabbage Red.—Hung Yea Choy	each	10	紅椰菜
Cabbage, (Shanghai),—Yeh Chol	,,	8	椰菜
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	,,	—	膠笋
Cauliflower, Large size,—Tai Yek Chol-fa	each	16	大椰菜花
,, Medium size,—Chung Yeh Cho-fa	,,	14	中椰菜花
,, Small size,—Sai Yeh Chol Fa	,,	10	細椰菜花
Carrots,—Kau Shun	,,	6	金笋
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Choi	,,	6	唐芹菜
,, English,—Yeung ,, ,,	,,	6	洋芹菜
Chilies Dried,—Con Lat Chiu	,,	10	乾辣椒
,, Red,—Hung Fa ,,	,,	10	紅花椒
,, Green,—Ching Lat Chiu	,,	10	青辣椒
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Lee Chol Liu	,,	—	加厘材料
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	,,	—	青瓜
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	,,	—	苦瓜
Garlic,—Suen Tau	,,	10	蒜頭
Ginger, young,—Sun Tsz Keung	,,	8	新子薑
,, old,—Lo Keung	,,	7	老薑
Horse Radish, S'hai—Lik Kan	lb	22	力根
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	piece	—	粟米
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi	each	1	洋生菜
Water Chesnuts,—Ma Tai	,,	8	馬蹄
,, Mandarin,—Kwai Lum Ma Tai	,,	8	桂林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho	,,	60	生草菇
Musk Melon—(American)	each	—	金山香瓜
Okroes,	,,	—	
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Chong Tau	,,	6	洋葱頭
,, Green,—Sang Chung	,,	4	生葱
,, Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Chung Tau	,,	5	上海葱頭
Papaw, 1st qual.—Tai Man Sau Kwa	each	10	大萬壽菓
,, 2nd ,, Chung ,, ,,	,,	8	中萬壽菓
Parsley,—Kun Cho	per lb	1.20	芹菜
Green Peas,—Ching Tau	,,	8	青豆
Potatoe, Sweet,—Fan Shu	,,	2	番薯
,, Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Shu Tsai	,,	3	上海薯仔
,, Japan,—Yat Poon Shu Tsai	,,	3	日本薯仔
,, American,—Fa Ki ,,	,,	—	花旗薯仔
,, Foochow,—Fuk Chan Shu Tsai	,,	3	福洲薯仔
Pumpkin,—Toong Kwa	,,	3	冬瓜
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	dozen	3	紅蘿蔔仔
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	,,	—	大黃
Shalots,—Con Chung Tau	,,	12	乾葱
Spinage, (Chinese)—Paw Choi	,,	4	波菜
Spinach,—Yin Choi	,,	—	莧菜
Tomatoes,—Fan Kee	,,	6	番茄
Taros,—Wu Tau	,,	5	芋頭
Turnips, Punti, (Loag),—Low Pak	,,	3	蘿蔔
,, English,—Yeung Low Pak	,,	—	洋蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa	,,	—	節瓜
,, (Am.)—Kum San Chit Kwa	,,	—	金山節瓜
Water Cresses,—Sai Yeung Choi	,,	10	西洋菜
,, Lily root,—Lit Ngau	,,	—	蓮藕
Yams,—Ta Shu	,,	—	大薯

O. W. BRETT,
Inspector of Markets.

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices marked.

C. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary, Sanitary Board.

SPORTING.

Football.

HONGKONG v. SERVICES.

The following have been selected to play for the Club in the Rugby Match against the United Services on Friday; kick-off at 4.45. The Club will play in colours:—Back, B. Johnson; Three-quarters, S. C. de Bussierre, A. O. Lang, C. M. Preshaw and R. F. C. Master; Halves, T. E. Pearce and L. J. Blackburne; Forwards, H. G. C. Bailey, H. M. Kendal, J. Hanron, H. W. Lester, A. Gange, F. C. Hall, R. G. Munro and Macilwraith; Referee, J. Clark.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 17th at 12.20 p.m. The barometer has risen in N. China, and fallen over S. Japan and the Loochoos.

The shallow depression which passed from the continent last night, is faintly indicated in the neighbourhood of S.W. Japan.

Areas of high pressure are lying to the N.E. Japan, and to the North of the Yangtze.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, moderate to fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 16.

Glamorganshire, British str., 3,639, H. O. Norris, London and Singapore Jan. 8, General.—TOMES, SHEWAN & Co.

Yochow, British str., 1,305, J. H. Brown, Shanghai Jan. 13, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Sambia, German str., 5,623, O. Muller, Hamburg Dec. 14, and Singapore January 10, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Devawongse, German steamer, 1,057, T. V. Bruhn, Anghin January 9, Rice.—MELCHERS & Co.

Masan Maru, Japanese steamer, 702, J. Sakurai, Swatow Jan. 15, General.—O. S. K.

January 17.

Taiyuan, British str., 1,459, L. Dawson, Melbourne Dec. 11, Sydney 21, Thursday Island Jan. 2, Zamboanga 9, and Manila 14, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Manila, German str., 1,108, J. Minssen, Sydney Dec. 21, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Gneisenau, German str., 8,081, G. Bolte, Hamburg Dec. 6, and Singapore Jan. 12, Mails and General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Yunnan, British steamer, 1,206, W. O. Jones, Chefoo, Dalny and Weihaiwei Jan. 12, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Dott, Norwegian steamer, 629, Jah Dannenig, Shanghai January 13, General.—AAGAARD, THORESEN & Co.

Clara Jebsen German steamer, 1,103, J. Jwersen, Hoihow January 16, General.—JEBSEN & Co.

DEPARTURES.

January 17.

Providence, for Hongay.
Ha tan, for Swatow.
Wuhu, for Swatow.
Sultan Van Langkat, for Canton.
Falsjo, for Saigon.
Taiwan, for Saigon.
Kwangtah, for Canton.
Canton Maru, for Singapore.
Soshu Maru, for Swatow.
Pingsuey, for Singapore.
Kiang Ching, for Canton.
Kwanglee, for Shanghai.
Kohsichang, for Swatow.
Yochow, for Canton.
Koun Maru, for Kobe.
Empress of China, for Shanghai and Vancouver.

CLEARED.

Rajah, for Bangkok.
Suez, for Saigon.
Gneisenau, for Shanghai.
Nord, for Shanghai.
Dott, for Canton.

PASSENGERS

ARRIVED.

Per *Glamorganshire*, from London, &c., Mrs Brown and 3 children, and Mrs Maxwell.

Per *Yochow*, from Shanghai, Mrs Walker and 2 children.

Per *Taiyuan*, for Hongkong: from Sydney, Messrs Hamilton and Gallagher; from Zamboanga, Lieut. Cowin and Mrs Cowin; from Manila, Messrs Bettingen and Vail.

Per *Gneisenau*, for Hongkong: from Hamburg, Dr and Mrs G. Plath, Miss Gertrud Ippen, and Mr Jorgen Bruhn; from Southampton, Messrs E. C. Lewis, W. D. Petterson and John Macgregor; from Genoa, Mr Harry Streiff-Usteri and family, Consul Dr and Mrs Grunewald, and Mr Johnson; from Aden, Mr Antonio Augusto Pacheco; from Colombo, Miss E. M. Jeffree, Consul and Mrs Volpicelli, and Mr John Pouten; from Penang, Mr J. Scherrer; from Singapore, Messrs J. Schwartz, C. Bennett, Frank Wilson, Samuel Wilson, Dr and Mrs F. Martin, Dr Souza, Messrs A. C. Davison, Yamataki, Rama, B. Arthur, and G. F. Devero.

Per *Yunnan*, from Chefoo, &c., Mr W. Martin, R.N.

Per *Manila*, from Sydney, Messrs W. K. Boll, J. Stierlin, Zieran and Rev. Weber.

DEPARTED.

Per *Empress of China*, for Vancouver, &c., Hon. Mr S. W. Mickerson, Messrs M. Mausson, Geo. N'Ayes, L. Midwood, Major and Mrs Forster, Comdr. and Mrs Blake, Messrs N. T. McLean, John Paulsen, Gouland, Moorhead, G. A. Richardson and Jas. Hardie.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Taiyuan* reports: Left Melbourne December 11th, Sydney 21st, Thursday Island January 2nd, Zamboanga 9th, and Manila 14th. Had moderate N.W. monsoon to Zamboanga; thence strong to fresh Northerly gale to Manila. Left Manila 14th, 3.30 p.m., had fresh N.E. monsoon and rough sea to arrival.

To-day's Advertisements

SCOTTISH MASONIC QUADRILLE ASSOCIATION.

THE FOURTH DANCE of the season will be held in CITY HALL, on the 4th day of February. Members requiring Invitations are requested to obtain them early. A Ferry Launch will leave the Star Ferry Wharf at 2 A.M. sharp for Kowloon.

REGALIA DANCE IN MARCH.
CALICO BALL IN APRIL.

JOHN J. BLAKE,
Hon. Secretary.

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D.G. LODGE OF HONGKONG AND S. CHINA E.C.

WITH reference to the proposed D.G. LODGE MEETING on February 6th next (between 5-7 P.M.) to present an ADDRESS from the FREEMASONS OF HONGKONG to H.R.H. the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, Grand Master E.C., M. M.'s who are NOT members of any Lodge here, but may be desirous of attending this Ceremony are requested to submit their Names AND ADDRESS to—

The D.G. Director of Ceremonies E.C.,
FREEMASONS HALL,
Zetland Street,

not later than the 26th inst, after which no applications can be received.

Members of Lodges here should apply through their own Lodge.

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Apply to T. CHEE,
P. O. Box 147.

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Hongkong, November 29, 1906.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
BREMEN.

STEAM FOR
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship GNEISENAU, Captain G. BOLTE, will leave for the above places TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 18th inst., at 6 a.m.

For further particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAIHING, Captain A. E. HODGINS, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 20th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

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'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, ANTWERP, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship GLAMORGANSHIRE, Captain NORRIS, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN Co., LTD., at KOWLOON and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd January, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship GNEISENAU, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

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Temperature.

HONGKONG, January 17, 1907.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	...	30.11
Do.	1 P.M.	...	30.06
Do.	4 P.M.	...	30.03
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.		65
Do.	1 P.M.	...	68
Do.	4 P.M.	...	66
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	...	60
Do. Do.	1 P.M.	...	61
Do. Do.	4 P.M.	...	61
Do Maximum ...		...	66
Do. Minimum over night			60

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Offices
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Name.	Anchorage	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Amoy	...	Plambeck	Ger. str.	668	Dec. 19	Sander, Wieler & Co.	....	A'deen Dock
Anghin	2 c	Kumpel	Ger. str.	1001	Jan. 14	Butterfield & Swire		
Ceylon Maru	3 c	Payne	Japan. str.	5068	Jan. 16	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'pore & Bombay	Jan. 18.
Changchow	3 c	Walker	British str.	1282	Jan. 7	Butterfield & Swire		
Cheongshing	3 c	Payne	British str.	1256	Jan. 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saigon	Jan. 17.
Childar	3 c	Augersen	Norw. str.	1102	Jan. 12	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Swatow & Bangkok	Jan. 18.
China	3 c	Friele	Amer. str.	3186	Jan. 10	P. M. S. S. Co.	S'hai & San F'cisco	Jan. 22.
Chow Tai	3 c	Mollermann	Ger. str.	1115	Jan. 16	Melchers & Co.		
Choysang	3 c	Sandbach	British str.	1242	Jan. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	Jan. 19.
Clara Jebsen	3 c	Jwersen	Ger. str.	1001	Jan. 17	Jebsen & Co.		
Derwent	3 c	Jenkins	British str.	1563	Jan. 10	Chinese		
Devawongse	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	1057	Jan. 16	Butterfield & Swire		
Empress of India	4 c	Beetham	British str.	3039	Jan. 14	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Feb. 14.
Glamorganshire	k w	Norris	British str.	3639	Jan. 17	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Shanghai & Japan	Jan. 18.
Gneisenau	k w	Bolte	Ger. str.	8081	Jan. 17	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai & Japan	Jan. 18.
Haiching	5 h	Hodgins	British str.	1267	Jan. 12	Douglas Steamship Co.	S'tow Amoy, F'chow	Jan. 20.
Helmdal	3 c	Johnsen	Norw. str.	762	Jan. 15	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Hilary	3 c	Uecker	Norw. str.	1276	Jan. 2	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Hue	3 c	Pannier	French str.	705	Jan. 14	A. R. Marty	Kwongchauwan, &c.	Jan. 19.
Huichow	3 c	Forsyth	British str.	1306	Dec. 11	Butterfield & Swire	Cebu & Iloilo	Jan. 19.
Ichang	3 c	Jones	British str.	1201	Jan. 9	Butterfield & Swire		
Iyo Maru	3 c	Thompson	Japan. str.	3918	Jan. 11	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'hai, Japan, Seattle	Jan. 22.
Japan	5 c	Olifent	British str.	3806	Jan. 9	David Sassoon & Co., Ld.	S'pore, P'ang & C'tta	Jan. 22.
Kaifong	3 c	Finlayson	British str.	1024	Jan. 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Karin	3 c	Petterson	Swed. str.	698	Jan. 7	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Keong-wai	3 c	Kohler	Ger. str.	1115	Jan. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Kiang Ching	4 c	Brissander	Chi. str.	1002	Jan. 16	Chinese.		
Kina	k w	Berg	Danish str.	2756	Jan. 6	Melchers & Co.		
Kiyo Maru	3 c	Hirai	Japan. str.	1418	Jan. 7	Gilman & Co.		
Koh-si-chang	3 c	Rosiefsky	Ger. str.	1291	Jan. 12	Butterfield & Swire		
Koun Maru	9 c	Minamikawa	Japan. str.	2876	Jan. 9	Fukusei & Co.		
Kwangtah	2 h	Lunt	Chi. str.	1536	Jan. 16	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Labor	8 c	Jensen	Norw. str.	949	Jan. 15	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Laertes	3 c	Jackson	British str.	1340	Jan. 2	Chinese		
Laisang	4 c	Lake	British str.	3460	Jan. 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Straits & Calcutta	Jan. 24.
Lydia	3 c	Meyer	Ger. str.	1772	Jan. 8	Siemssen & Co.		
Manila	k w	Minssen	Ger. str.	1108	Jan. 17	Melchers & Co.		
Masan Maru	3 c	Sakurai	Japan. str.	1274	Jan. 16	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	S'tow, Amoy, Tamsui	Jan. 20.
Mausang	k w	Houghton	Brit. str.	1643	Jan. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Monteagle	...	Robinson	British str.	2440	Sept. 14	C. P. R. Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Nord	2 c	Prynn	British str.	1134	Jan. 16	Geo. McBain		
Nord	3 c	Haraldsen	Norw. str.	702	Jan. 15	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Onsang	8 c	Christie	British str.	1787	Jan. 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Straits & Calcutta	Jan. 18.
Pollux	3 c	Bjonness	Norw. str.	780	Dec. 30	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Ponape	3 c	Cartens	Ger. str.	220	Dec. 31	German Consul		
Prinz Waldemar	...	Woldemas	Ger. str.	3227	Sept. 18	Melchers & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Prominent	8 c	Christiansen	Norw. str.	746	Jan. 8	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Proteus	...	Krabbe	Norw. str.	1024	Jan. 10	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	....	A'deen Dock
Quarta	3 c	Madsen	Ger. str.	1230	Jan. 14	Osaka Shosen Kaisha		
Rajah	3 c	Denker	Ger. str.	1275	Jan. 10	Melchers & Co.		
Sambia	k w	Muller	Ger. str.	5623	Jan. 16	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	S'hai, Kobe, Y'hama	Jan. 19.
Samsen	3 c	Schmetz	Ger. str.	998	Jan. 12	Melchers & Co.		
Spir	3 c	Stein	Norw. str.	870	Jan. 1	Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.		
Sultan van Langkat	2 c	Libery	Dutch str.	724	Jan. 16	Meyer & Co.		
Taishan	2 c	Laing	British str.	1122	Jan. 12	Bradley & Co.		
Taiyuan	4 c	Dawson	British str.	1459	Jan. 17	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe & Yokohama	Jan. 20.
Tinhow	3 c	Kidd	British str.	901	Jan. 11	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Tjipanas	3 c	Pander	Dutch str.	2444	Jan. 16	Java-China-Japan Lijn.	Batavia & Macassar	Jan. 19.
Wakamatsu Maru	8 c	Goda	Japan. str.	2378	Jan. 15	Mitsu Bishi.		
Wosang	4 c	Campbell	British str.	1127	Jan. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	Jan. 18.
Yochow	3 c	Brown	British str.	1309	Jan. 16	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	Jan. 22.
Yuensang	5 c	Mooney	British str.	1128	Jan. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	Jan. 18.
Zafiro	5 c	Rodger	British str.	1611	Jan. 14	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	Jan. 19.
Sailing Vessels.								
E. B. Sutton	3 c	Butman	Amer. sh.	1639	Dec. 24	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Eskasoni	3 c	McBurnie	British sh.	1670	Oct. 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
S. P. Hitchcock	2 c	Zerk	Amer. sh.	2806	Sept. 1	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.]

Ratho. Bulow, Dacia, Yeddo. Dec. 28; *Braemar, Diomed, Hellas, Sumatra, Bingo Maru, Hanamet* January 1; *Agamemnon, Deucalion, Menelaus, Tamba Maru*, 4; *Idomeneus, Indrapura, Machaon, Mazagon, Merionethshire, Monmouthshire, Newton Hall, Palma, Vowarts, Stentor*, 4; *Banca, Benalder, Bencleuch, Preussen, Scandia, Sithonia*, 8; *Australien, Sachsen, Segovia. Trieste. Inaba Maru, Rhenania, Prinz Regent Luitpold*, 11; *Albenga, Bənmohr, Kawachi Maru, Moyune, Lothian, Myrmidon, Ghazee, Glenavon, Rheidfels, Tranquebar*, 15.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Tourane* with the FRENCH MAIL of the 21st December, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 15th January, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 22nd January. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 17th November.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Nippon Maru* will sail from Yokohama on January 18th, and is due to arrive at this port via Manila on January 28th.

Steamers Expected.

The H. A. L. steamer *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 12th January, and may be expected here on or about the 18th Jan.

The Glen Line s.s. *Glenturret* left Singapore on the morning of 12th January, and may be expected here on the 18th January.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. *Austria* left Singapore for this port on the 15th January, and is expected here on the 22nd January.

The *s.s. Satsuma* sailed from Shanghai on the morning of 15th January.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Athenian* left Vancouver on Saturday afternoon, the 12th January for Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Nyanza* left Singapore for this port on the 11th Jan., at 6 p.m.

The Boston Co.'s s.s. *Shawmut* sailed from Kobe on the 14th January for Moji.

The silk ex s.s. *Tremont*, which sailed hence on 27th November, arrived in New York on 30th December.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s s.s. *Tremont* sailed from Pacific Coast for the Far East on the 11th January.

Latest Advices.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Mongolia* left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 16th Jan., at 10 p.m., and is due at this port on Saturday, the 19th January, at daylight.

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Tean* left Manila on 15th January, and is due here on 18th January, at 8 a.m.

The Ben Line steamer *Benvorlich*, from Leith and London, left Singapore on 15th January, for this port.

The s.s. *Saint George* sailed from New York for the Far East on 13th Jan.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Prinz Sigismund* left Sydney on Tuesday, the 15th January, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th Feb.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Tartar* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 15th January, and left again at 6 p.m. on same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on Thursday, the 17th January.

The French s.s. *Phuyen* left Saigon on 16th January for this port, and is due to arrive here on or about the 21st Jan.

The silk ex C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* which left Hongkong on the 20th December, 1906, and Yokohama on the 27th December, 1906, arrived in New York on Tuesday, the 15th Jan., 1907; thus making a transit of 26 days from Hongkong, and 19 days from Yokohama.

The s.s. *Lowther Castle* left New York on Nov. 16th, and is due here on or about the end of January.

The O. N. Co.'s s.s. *Chingtu* left Kuchinotzu for Hongkong direct on 15th January, and may be expected here on 20th January.

The s.s. *Tsinan* left Sydney on 15th Jan. via usual ports of call, and may be expected here on 8th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kaga Maru* (American Line) left Moji for this port on the 16th January, and is expected here on the 20th January.

EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, January 17, 1907.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	2/2¼
„ On demand, ...	2/2½
„ 30 days' sight, ...	2/2⅝
„ 4 months' sight, ...	2/3³⁄₁₆
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	2/3⅜
Documentary, 4 months' sight, ...	2/3½
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	281
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	285½
On Berlin—	
On demand, ...	228½
On New York—	
On demand, ...	54¼
Credits 60 days' sight, ...	55¼
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	165½
On demand, ...	166
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	165½
On demand, ...	166
On Singapore—	
On demand, ...	5½%P.
On Manila—	
On demand, Pesos...	109½
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	73
30 days' sight, (private paper) ...	73⅞
On Yokohama—	
On demand, ...	109½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)...	$47.00
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate ...	$ 8.95
Silver (per oz.) ...	31⅜

January 18th to 24th, 1907.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water: Hongkong Mean Time	High Water: Height.	Low Water: Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water: Height
		h m	feet.	h m	feet.
Fri.	18	1 22 a	4.7	m 6 24 / 5 57 a	0.9 / 5.2
Sat.	19	m 0 21 / 2 5 a	6.8 / 4.7	m 7 15 / 6 29 a	1.4 / 5.4
Sun.	20	m 1 8 / 2 52 a	6.1 / 4.8	m 7 57 / 7 33 a	1.9 / 5.6
Mon.	21	m 2 2 / 3 44 a	5.4 / 5.0	m 8 40 / 9 3 a	2.4 / 5.7
Tues.	22	m 3 17 / 4 38 a	4.7 / 5.3	m 9 25 / 11 12 a	2.8 / 5.5
Wed.	23	m 4 55 / 5 21 a	4.3 / 5.6	m 10 12	3.1
Thur.	24	m 4 38 / 6 21 a	4.0 / 5.9	m 0 22 / m 11 2 a	5.3 / 3.3

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Childar*, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For MACAO.—
Per *Sui Tai*, at 1.15 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Onsang*, at 2 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Wosang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For MANILA.—
Per *Yuensang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & BOMBAY.—
Per *Ceylon Maru*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Jan.

For BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, SOURABAYA & MACASSAR.
Per *Tjipanas*, at 8 a.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For QUANG-CHOW-WAN, HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG.—
Per *Hue*, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For MANILA.—
Per *Zafiro*, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.
Per *Sambia*, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Choysang*, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For CEBU & ILOILO.—
Per *Huichow*, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Masan Maru*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Taiyuan*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th Jan.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Haiching*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 20th Jan.

For MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE & PERTH.—
Per *Chingtu*, at 3 p.m., on Monday, the 21st Jan.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Japan*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 22nd Jan.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *China* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 22nd January, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, United States, Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:

Printed Matter and Samples at 9 a.m.
Registration at 9 a.m.
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 9.45 a.m.
Registration, Kowloon B.O., 9 a.m. No late fee.
Letters at 10 a.m.
(Supplementary Mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Empire (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Jan. 26, at Noon.
Bremen, v. Ports of call	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 30, at Noon.
Cebu & Iloilo	Huichow (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 19, 4 p.m.
Fiume, Trieste, &c.	China (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Jan. 31, p.m.
Kobe and Yokohama	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 21, Daylight.
Kobe & Yokohama	Bingo Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	January 26.
London, &c.	Arcadia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 26, at Noon.
Marseilles, L'don, &c.	Borneo (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 30.
Marseilles, London &c.	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 13.
Mar'lles, London, &c.	Macedonia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mar. 23, at Noon.
Mar., L'don, A'erp, &c.	Kanagawa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 23, Daylight.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Yawata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 25, at Noon.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 22, at Noon.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Manila (s)	Melchers & Co.	Feb. 1, at Noon.
Marseilles, v. Saigon	Salazie (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Jan. 22, at 1 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 19, at Noon.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 26, at Noon.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Jan. 18, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Tean (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 22, at 4 p.m.
N'saki, Kobe & Y'hama	Nikko Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 24, at Noon.
Naples, Havre, H'burg.	Silesia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	February 8.
Naples, Havre, H'burg.	Scandia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 23.
New York	Satsuma (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	January 21.
New York	Sikh (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 9.
San Francisco v. Ports	Dakota (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Feb. 25.
San F'cisco via Japan.	China (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Jan. 22, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Mongolia (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Jan. 29, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Nippon Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Feb. 5, at Noon.
Seattle, v. S'hai, Japan	Minnesota (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	February 19.
S'hai, N'ki, Kobe Y'ma.	Gneisenau (s)	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 18, at 6 a.m.
S'hai, N'ki, Kobe Y'ma	Preussen (s)	Melchers & Co.	About Jan. 30.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Tourane (s)	Messageries Maritimes	About Jan. 21.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Austria (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 24, p.m.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Scandia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	February 5.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'ma	Habsburg (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	March 5.
Shanghai and Japan	Nyanza (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 20.
S'pore, P'ang, C'bo. &c.	Ceylon Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	January 18.
S'pore, P'ang, Calcutta	Onsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Jan. 18, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Laisang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Jan. 24, at 3 p.m.
S'pore, P'ang, Calcutta.	Japan (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Jan. 22, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Yochow (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Jan. 22, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Wosang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Jan. 18, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Choysang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Jan. 19, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Devanha (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Jan. 25.
S'tow, Amoy & S'hai	Changchow (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 23.
Swatow & Bangkok	Childar (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	January 18.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Masan Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Jan. 20, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 20, at 10 a.m.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Iyo Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Jan. 22, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 5.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 26.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Monteagle (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Jan. 23, at Noon.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Feb. 14, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Feb. 20, at Noon.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

January 17, 1907.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$925, buyers; London, £115
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£ 7	£ 6	$49, buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$287½, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$90
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 82½, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 100	$760, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$160, sellers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	20	$94½, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$360, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 50	all	$148, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	18,000	$ 25	$ 25	$21, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$15, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 107½, buyers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$22, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$36, sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$29½, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company. Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$87
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$30, sales & buyers
	10,000	$ 10	$ 5	$20, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co. Ltd.	2,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	30/-
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 55
do Preference.	100,000			Tls. 50, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$126, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company Limited	7,000	$ 100	all	$21, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld.	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 111
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000 / 10,000	$ 50	all	$96, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	20,000 / 12,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 235, x New Issue
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	100	$110, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 102
	26,000	$ 50	$ 25	$60, New Issue
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$38
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ld.	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls.25	Tls. 12
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	150,000	$ 10	all	$11.85, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$50
TRAMWAYS.				
HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$215
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$450, Nominal
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$8¾, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$ 50	all	$113, buyers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin).	2,000	T.Tls.50	Tls.50	Tls. 135
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai.	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$30
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	90,000	$ 10	$ 10	$12
Watkins Limited	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$2½, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10	all	$175, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 122½
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	60,000	$ 10	$ 10	$15¼, buyers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	200,000	10	$ 10	$21½
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	8,604	£ 12/6	12/6	$7, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000 ord'y	$ 10	$ 4	$19, buyers
	100 f'ders	$ 10	$ 10	$150
Hk. Steam Waterboat Co., Ltd.	15,000	$ 10	$ 10	$7, sellers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	$ 7½	$ 6	$16½
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$230, buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 420, buyers
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	all	$21, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	125,000	$ 10	$ 10	$12½, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 64
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls.75	Tls. 64
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 103
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls500	Tls. 335, buyers
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co. Ld.	200,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, buyers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	$ 12	$ 12	$10, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$30, sellers
Wm. Powell, Ld.	12,000 / 3,000	$ 10	$ 10	$8
South China Morning Post	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$24
China Light and Power Company	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited.	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	$5½
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ld.	67,500	$ 10	$ 10	$5
Alhambra Limited	300	$ 500	$ 50	$120

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886 a	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	Par

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